GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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EXPANSION AND MODERNISATION OF MUZAFFARPUR AND BARAUNI THERMAL POWER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the expansion, modernization and renovation of Barauni and Muzaffarpur Thermal Power Plants and the share of Bihar in Tenughat Power Corporation is under consideration of the Union Government;

(b) if so, whether the action is being taken for the expansion of Kahalgaon Thermal Power plant and construction of Thermal Power Plant in Barh and Navinagar;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the plan of the Government to increase generation of power in Bihar?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : The responsibility for the expansion, modernization and renovation of Barauni and Muzaffarpur Thermal Power Plants lies with the Bihar State Electricity Board.

An order transferring the assets and liabilities relating to Tenughat Vidyut Nigam Ltd. (TVNL) to the State of Jharkhand was issued on 31.10.2002.

(b) to (d) : Work on the Kahalgaon Super Thermal Power Project (STPP) expansion Phase-I of 1000 MW (2x500 MW) has started. Phase-II (1x500 MW) is also planned for execution. For the Barh Super Thermal Power Project of 1980 MW (3x660 MW), bids have been invited for the supply of main plant and equipment.

There is a proposal for a joint venture between the Railways and the NTPC for setting up of 1000 MW (4x250 MW) power project at Nabinagar.

Bihar is entitled to its due share of power from Central Generating Stations.